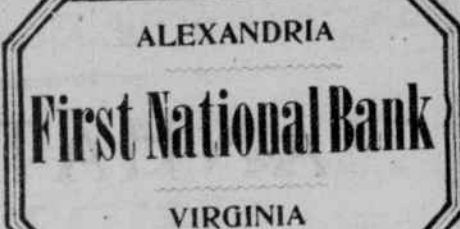


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MEETINGS.

NOTICE.—Under the first by-law, the an-

nual meeting of the stockholders of the

EMERSON STEAM PUMP COMPANY will

be held at the office of the company in the

city of Alexandria, Va., on MONDAY, Janu-

ary 19, 1907, at 12 o'clock a. m.

E. BRUCE EMERSON, Secretary.

NOTICE.—The above meeting adjourned until MON-

day, January 28, 1907, at same place and

hour.

W. H. MAY, President.

W. W. SHERWOOD, Sec. and Treas.

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Alexandria Gazette.

THURSDAY EVENING, JAN. 24, 1907.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP.

All Right in Theory, but Breaks Down

In Practice.

Theoretically there is so much in municipal ownership of public utilities that the practical carrying out of its attractive features appears simple and of no serious moment, and for a municipality to take over and run water, lights, sewerage and even transportation appears to taxpayers, and the trade is made without the first assurance that the conduct of these properties will be along practical and business lines.

It is the failure to assure the practical that works the evil for municipal ownership is a general ownership, and a general ownership results too easily in its being no special business to any citizen or taxpayer to look into or inquire after the conduct of the properties under control. This leaves the management to a few, who soon and that they have only themselves to account to, that people are too busy to demand accountability and too busy to accept any kind of report. Just so there is the appearance of all being right and light, water, sewerage, etc., are given.

It is this indifference and neglect on the part of taxpayers to take note of municipal affairs which make municipal ownership of public utilities a hazardous and expensive matter. The theory of municipal ownership, with its great saving to each taxpayer, the extra service given and the great profits resulting, can all be placed in figures before him, but it is a failure unless the taxpayers shall give earnest and serious heed to the conduct of these public utilities, for unless this is done they will wake up some day with broken down properties and a big bond issue to make good. —Newbern Weekly Journal.

THE GREAT TRANSITION.

Public Property Wasted Because "It

Costs Nothing, You Know."

"Hello," said I. "What's that?" And I stopped to pick it up.

"That," replied the boy who happened to be passing through the school yard with me. "That is nothing but a lead pencil."

"But it is a whole one," said I, "and with a rubber on the end."

"I know it," said the boy.

"What! Do you mean to tell me that you have seen this here before?"

"Yes, everybody's seen it."

"All the children in your school have seen this lying here day after day and not one boy has picked it up?"

"Of course. What should we pick it up for? There's plenty in the school-house. The town boys' use."

"And I had been given a text for a huge inscription. Not pick up a whole lead pencil? And a pencil with a rubber on it?"

"When I was a boy we prized even slate pencils. A boy who hooked any body's slate pencil was baited until he gave it up, but a lead pencil—we fought for lead pencils for the Greeks and Trojans fought for Helen. We scoured the countryside for old horseshoes to sell to the blacksmith for money enough to buy a lead pencil, and having it, we cut our private mark on it, guarded it, kept it as our last resource in trade. Many a time a previous two-inch lead pencil has turned an important jack-knife trade one way or the other. I never had but one lead pencil at a time and very often hardly that until I was fifteen years old. And these ten-year-olds scorn to pick up a whole one with a rubber! Think of it! The best eraser I had was a piece of rubber foot ball! —Henry T. Bailey in Journal of Education.

A DAY OF RECKONING.

You Cannot Fool All of the People All

of the Time.

The recent condemnation as unfit for further service of a number of gas and electric light plants and the closing down of some of them at a dead loss to the taxpayers should serve as a warning to other cities, for this is the fate that is likely to overtake all such plants in the long run. For the first year or two, when no expensive repairs are needed and the plant is thoroughly up to date, it ought not to be difficult to make a good showing. For a few years longer the bad bookkeeping and inadequate reports, that are unfortunately the rule rather than the exception, may blind the citizens to the deterioration of the plant and to its increasing losses. But the day of reckoning inevitably comes when breakdown, bad service or demand for new equipment that cannot be made up for by "extensions" causes an investigation, and then it becomes evident that the plant has been a losing proposition almost from the start. No plant should be accepted as evidence of successful municipal management until it has been operated for several years and then examined by expert engineers and accountants.

There is nothing more dainty for a picnic or luncheon, than Argo Fed Salmon sandwiches or salad. The Cook Book tells you how to prepare them. Ask your grocer.

Piles get quick relief from Dr. Shoop's Magic Ointment. Remember its made alone for Piles and it works with certainty and satisfaction. Itching, painful, protruding, or blind piles disappear almost by its use. Try it and see! Sold by E. S. Leadbeater & Sons, druggists.

When the cold winds dry and crack the skin get DeWitt's Which Hazel Salve. Sold by W. F. Creighton & Co., 401 King street.

FOR OVER SIXTY YEARS.

An Old and Well-Thumbed Remedy.

Mrs. Winslow's Well-Thumbed Remedy has been used for over sixty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for Diarrhea. It is pleasant to the taste. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Its value is incalculable. Be sure and ask for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup and take no other kind.

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